

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 983 without my signature.

This bill would require a local public entity before entering into a design-bid-build contract, to provide full, complete, and accurate plans, specifications and estimates of cost that would enable any competent mechanic or other builder to carry them out.

This bill is premature. The California Supreme Court recently agreed to review the case, *Los Angeles Unified School District v. Great American Insurance Co., et. al.*, that involves the issues raised by this bill. I believe it is prudent for the court to rule on current law before making any unnecessary or ill-advised changes.

For these reasons, I am returning this bill without my signature.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger